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Request to Cancel Application Serial Number In View of Original Returned <u>Postcard</u>

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This is a request to cancel application serial number 10/724,529 since it is a duplicate of application number 10/603,500, filed on June 24, 2003. The events occurred as follows. On November 26, 2003, the Agent of record had not yet received a return stamped postcard indicating that the continuation application filed on June 24, 2003 had been received. Since we had not yet received acknowledgement of the filing after five months, a review of PAIR indicated that the Agent of record's docket number, CISCP109C1, could not be found in the system. Thus, the Agent of record assumed the application had been lost and a Request for Application Serial Number was filed on November 26, 2003. On December 8, 2003, the agent of record received the "original" stamped postcard mailed with the application on June 24, 2003 indicating the application serial number of 10/603,500. Further, on December 12, 2003, a return stamped postcard was received in response to our Request for Application Serial Number filed on November 26, 2003 with a serial number of 10,724,529.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that serial number 10/724,529 be canceled in view of the receipt of the original stamped postcard and the U.S. Patent Office proceed with prosecution of the application under the earlier application serial number of 10/603,500.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the above matter, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Respectfully submitted,

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